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SSA Rulebook
Swiss Surfing Championship (SSC)

1 General

The SSC is a Swiss Surfing Association SSA sanctioned event. It is held annually. The competition date is published on the SSA website and communicated to the SSA members in the newsletter. At least 24 hours before the start of the event the SSA board elects a contest director and a head judge. The SSA members participating in the event (surfers) elect a surfer representative. Decisions on contest issues are made by the contest director. In case of disagreement of the surfers they can put their demands forward through the surfers representative. If an agreement cannot be reached the decision is made by the contest director, the head judge and the surfers representative, each one of them having one vote.

2 Registration

Any active member of the SSA (member) of Swiss nationality may register and take part at the SSC. Members of other nationalities can only participate in the expression session division.

Registration is online on the SSA website or at the competition site. Registration closes at the official start of the event. The official start of the event is the riders meeting on the evening prior to the first day of competition.

3 Divisions

The main divisions of the SSC are

Open division	male or female of any age
Women's open division	female of any age
Longboard division	male or female of any age, min. board length is 9ft

Main divisions are held if there is a minimum of 4 inscriptions. Other divisions (junior, senior, bodyboard, expression session, etc.) can be held if there is a minimum of 8 inscriptions or by decision of the contest director. Age restrictions for further divisions are:

Junior	Boy or Girl Under 18
Cadet	Boy or Girl Under 16
Senior	Male or Female 28 years and older
Master	Male or Female 35 years and older
Grandmaster	Male or Female 40 years and older
Kahuna	Male or Female 45 years and older
Grand Kahuna	Male or Female 50 years and older

* Ages are taken from January 1st in the year of participation.



4 Schedule

Competition schedule might change on short notice. It is updated and posted outside the SSC headquarters. It is the competitor's duty to be informed of heat times. If a competitor misses a heat, he will be assigned the last place in the heat. Competition can be cancelled due to adverse wave or weather conditions. If competition is cancelled all remaining surfers are in the same rank and earn the same points. Competition fee might be partially refunded.

5 Competition modus

The competition modus is ISA's double elimination (see ISA rulebook for details). The maximum of competitors allowed is 32 in the Open division and 16 in the Women's open division. Heat draw is based on the seeding list. Surfers not yet seeded will be listed first comes first serves.

6 Rules of competition

The rules of competition for the SSC will be communicated at the riders meeting. Standard rules are used for such things as timing, wave count and interference.

7 Seeding

Competitors result of the past two years account for his seed. The seeding is based on the points earned by a competitor in each division (Annex A). Every year the seeding lists are published on the SSA website after the publishing of the official results.

8 Judging

A minimum of three judges will be selected for the judging of the SSC. The judges are not part of the SSA board or the SSA head office. They have judging experience adequate to the level of surfing of the SSC.

9 Competition fee

A competition fee is charged for the registration to each division. This fee is to cover judging costs and other expenses related to the competition and may vary from year to year. An additional service fee is charged for on site registration.